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Attorney General Laxalt Announces Sentencing of Medicaid Provider Solomon's Porch Counseling Center

Las Vegas, NV – Nevada Attorney General Adam Paul Laxalt announced that Solomon's Porch Counseling Center, LLC (Solomon's Porch) based in Las Vegas, was sentenced today for Medicaid fraud, a category "D" felony. The fraud was committed between January 2013 and March 2015.

"This Office will not allow Medicaid providers to cheat the state out of resources reserved for vulnerable individuals," said Laxalt. "We will continue to aggressively prosecute these crimes to protect our most vulnerable, our taxpayers and the reputations of our professional agencies."

Eighth Judicial District Court Judge Douglas E. Smith sentenced Solomon's Porch and placed the business on probation for five years. As part of the sentence, Solomon's Porch was also ordered to pay \$44,000 in restitution.

The investigation began after the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) received information that Solomon's Porch allegedly failed to provide mental health services to Medicaid recipients. The investigation revealed that Solomon's Porch failed to provide services billed to Medicaid and generated false claims for reimbursement.

On behalf of the attorney general and the state, the MFCU investigates and prosecutes financial fraud by those providing healthcare services or goods to Medicaid patients. Persons or entities convicted of Medicaid fraud may also be administratively excluded from future Medicaid and Medicare participation. Anyone wishing to report suspicious activities regarding any related fraud may contact the MFCU at 702-486-3420 or 775-684-1100.

To view the criminal Information, click <u>here</u>. To file a complaint of suspected Medicaid fraud with our Office, click <u>here</u>.

This case was prosecuted by Senior Deputy Attorney General Andrew Schulke.

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